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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a further two-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed June 1, 2004, said period of response being extended from October 1, 2004 to December 1, 2004.

Our check in the amount of \$870 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a large entity (\$980.00 minus \$110.00 equals \$870.00). A one-month extension of time was previously submitted on September 24, 2004 in the amount of \$110.00.

Respectfully submitted,

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